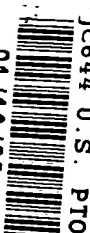


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It is a continuing application, as follows:

☒ continuation ☐ divisional ☐ continuation-in-part of prior application number
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☐ Signed Statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application.

☒ A Preliminary Amendment.

☐ 12 Sheets of ☐ Formal ☐ Informal Drawings.

☐ Petition to Accept Photographic Drawings.☐ Petition Fee

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☒ The prior application is assigned of record to Microsoft Corporation.

☒ Priority is claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119 of Patent Application No. 60/126,614 filed March 27, 1998 in USA (country).

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